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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND ELECTION OF SPECIES
AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 3, 2003, Applicants elect Group II, claims 8-13 drawn to plural pumps with individual control. Applicants further elect Species D, Figure 4. The election of Group II is being made without traverse. The election of Species D is being made with traverse, as discussed below.

Applicants further request that the non-elected claims 1-7 and 14-21 be canceled from the application, as shown below.

Applicants do not believe that any extensions of time are required at this time. If additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 23-1951.